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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

The charge for notifying a Domestic Occurrence is One Rupee.

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

FULCHER—January 3rd, at Breach Candy, the wife of William Lake Fulcher, Esq., of a son.

MARRIAGE.

FERNANDEZ—HENDRICK—January 3rd, at the Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Lady of Hope, Bombay, by the Rev. Canon S. L. Lodwick G. Fernandez, to Leonora, 3rd daughter of the late Mr. John William Hendrick, of Belgaum.

DEATHS.

FERNANDEZ—December 29th, at Ootacamund, Mr. L. K. Fernandez, aged 72 years.

WALSH—January 3rd, at Baroda, Isabel, infant daughter of T. Pendergast B. Walsh, Esquire, Captain, 1st Bombay Grenadiers, aged nine months.

BENGAL.

BIRTH.

FIELD—December 23rd, at Bankipore, Patna, the wife of G. Field, Esq., R.A., of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

NORMAN—PEREIRA—December 19th, at St. James' Church, Calcutta, by the Rev. Peter J. Jacko, M. A. Ph. D., Henry Genese, son of Mr. Henry Duke Norman of Liverpool, Lancashire, to Virginia Julia Rose, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Samuel Furtado Pereira Cleri, Boom-fee Examiner's Office, Alipore, near Calcutta.

DEATH.

BRAE—December 21th, at Rogoorah, Jessore, George Duncan Brae, aged 30 years and 21 days.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND FREIGHT ROUTE.

STEAM TO ADEN AND SUEZ.

THE Bombay and Bengal Steam Ship Company (Limited) will despatch steamers to Suez on the 4th and 20th of each month calling at Aden. Returning steamers will leave Suez about the 3rd and 19th of every month. Through bills of Lading to Liverpool (by steamer from Alexandria) will be granted by the undersigned, and from Liverpool to Bombay by the Company's Agents in England. THROUGH TICKETS to Liverpool at the following rates :—

First Class..... £69 } Exclusive of
Second Class..... 37 } Wines.

For Freight or Passage apply to messrs. Reynolds, Mann & Co., 19, James Street, Liverpool, or No. 8, East India Avenue, London-hall Street, London, Messrs. Tod, Rathbone & Co. Alexandria, or the undersigned at Bombay.

THOS. S. KRISHNA," 1,560 Tons, Captain MORRISON, will be despatched on the 6th, and the "GUNGA," 1,800 Tons, on the 20th January.

STEARNS, HOBART & Co.,
Treasurers and Managers.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF.

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under mail contract with Government, despatch a Steamer from Bombay to the Persian Gulf every month, as follows, touching at Muscat :—

Leave Bombay		Arrive Bussorah
3rd		17th
7th		19th
13th		25th
17th		29th
23rd		5th
27th		9th

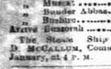
Leave Bussorah		Arrive Bombay
3rd		17th
7th		19th
13th		25th
17th		29th
23rd		5th
27th		9th

The Steamer "MEMNON," 850 tons, Ship Commander, will be despatched as above on 3rd January, at 4 P. M.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

Inter-bounding Cargo and Passengers by the first available Steamer to and from Scinde, Mooltan, Lahore and Umritsur, with the Oriental Inland Steam Company's Steamers.



THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch a Steamer with mails, passengers, and cargo to Kurrachee (calling at Muscat alternately for P. and O. Company's Mail steamers from Suez.

DATES OF DEPARTURE.

From Bombay usually about.....from 11th and 21st
Kurrachee on.....from 19th and 29th

The steam ship "COMORIN," 500 tons, 120 H. P., R. TAUNTON, Commander, will be despatched as above, twelve hours after the arrival of the next English Mail.

N. B.—When the English Mail arrives between 6 P. M. and 6 A. M. the Kurrachee Steamer sails punctually twelve hours after, but when it arrives between 6 A. M. and 6 P. M. is despatched at 7 the following morning; this is to avoid Passengers embarking at night. When the mail time falls upon a Sunday, the Steamer is despatched at 7 A. M. on the Monday morning.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

(Interchanging by the Steamer of the First, Passengers and Cargo at Galle to and from Singapore, Saigon, Batavia, Hongkong, Shanghai, and Manilla.)

The British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above twice a month, with Mails, Passengers and cargo on the following dates :—

Leave Bombay		Leave Calcutta		Leave Colombo	
1st & 16th		1st & 15th		5th & 20th	
3rd	18th	Bimlipatam	1st	Tuticorin	7th
17th	3rd	Vizagapatam	4th	Paumben	8th
24th	10th	Coconada	8th	Negapatam	9th
28th	14th	Masulipatam	11th	Porto Novo	10th
30th	16th	Madras	12th	Pondicherry	11th
31st	17th	Negapatam	14th	Karikal	12th
2nd	19th	Porto Novo	15th	Tranquebar	13th
4th	21st	Pondicherry	16th	Negapatam	14th
5th	22nd	Karikal	17th	Porto Novo	15th
7th	24th	Tranquebar	18th	Cuddalore	16th
8th	25th	Negapatam	19th	Pondicherry	17th
9th	26th	Porto Novo	20th	Madras	18th
11th	28th	Cuddalore	21st	Masulipatam	20th
12th	29th	Pondicherry	22nd	Coconada	21st
13th	30th	Madras	23rd	Vizagapatam	22nd
14th	31st	Masulipatam	24th	Bimlipatam	23rd
15th	1st	Coconada	25th	Calcutta	25th
16th	2nd	Vizagapatam	26th	Colombo	29th
17th	3rd	Bimlipatam	27th	Tuticorin	30th
18th	4th	Calcutta	28th	Paumben	31st
19th	5th	Colombo	29th	Cochin	1st
20th	6th	Tuticorin	30th	Calicut	2nd
21st	7th	Paumben	31st	Cannanore	3rd
22nd	8th	Cochin	1st	Mangalore	4th
23rd	9th	Calicut	2nd	Vingorla	5th
24th	10th	Cannanore	3rd	Bussorah	6th
25th	11th	Mangalore	4th	Muscat	7th
26th	12th	Vingorla	5th	Bussorah	8th
27th	13th	Bussorah	6th	Muscat	9th
28th	14th	Muscat	7th	Bussorah	10th
29th	15th	Bussorah	8th	Muscat	11th
30th	16th	Muscat	9th	Bussorah	12th
31st	17th	Bussorah	10th	Muscat	13th
1st	18th	Muscat	11th	Bussorah	14th
2nd	19th	Bussorah	12th	Muscat	15th
3rd	20th	Muscat	13th	Bussorah	16th
4th	21st	Bussorah	14th	Muscat	17th
5th	22nd	Muscat	15th	Bussorah	18th
6th	23rd	Bussorah	16th	Muscat	19th
7th	24th	Muscat	17th	Bussorah	20th
8th	25th	Bussorah	18th	Muscat	21st
9th	26th	Muscat	19th	Bussorah	22nd
10th	27th	Bussorah	20th	Muscat	23rd
11th	28th	Muscat	21st	Bussorah	24th
12th	29th	Bussorah	22nd	Muscat	25th
13th	30th	Muscat	23rd	Bussorah	26th
14th	31st	Bussorah	24th	Muscat	27th
15th	1st	Muscat	25th	Bussorah	28th
16th	2nd	Bussorah	26th	Muscat	29th
17th	3rd	Muscat	27th	Bussorah	30th
18th	4th	Bussorah	28th	Muscat	31st
19th	5th	Muscat	29th	Bussorah	1st
20th	6th	Bussorah	30th	Muscat	2nd
21st	7th	Muscat	31st	Bussorah	3rd
22nd	8th	Bussorah	1st	Muscat	4th
23rd	9th	Muscat	2nd	Bussorah	5th
24th	10th	Bussorah	3rd	Muscat	6th
25th	11th	Muscat	4th	Bussorah	7th
26th	12th	Bussorah	5th	Muscat	8th
27th	13th	Muscat	6th	Bussorah	9th
28th	14th	Bussorah	7th	Muscat	10th
29th	15th	Muscat	8th	Bussorah	11th
30th	16th	Bussorah	9th	Muscat	12th
31st	17th	Muscat	10th	Bussorah	13th
1st	18th	Bussorah	11th	Muscat	14th
2nd	19th	Muscat	12th	Bussorah	15th
3rd	20th	Bussorah	13th	Muscat	16th
4th	21st	Muscat	14th	Bussorah	17th
5th	22nd	Bussorah	15th	Muscat	18th
6th	23rd	Muscat	16th	Bussorah	19th
7th	24th	Bussorah	17th	Muscat	20th
8th	25th	Muscat	18th	Bussorah	21st
9th	26th	Bussorah	19th	Muscat	22nd
10th	27th	Muscat	20th	Bussorah	23rd
11th	28th	Bussorah	21st	Muscat	24th
12th	29th	Muscat	22nd	Bussorah	25th
13th	30th	Bussorah	23rd	Muscat	26th
14th	31st	Muscat	24th	Bussorah	27th
15th	1st	Bussorah	25th	Muscat	28th
16th	2nd	Muscat	26th	Bussorah	29th
17th	3rd	Bussorah	27th	Muscat	30th
18th	4th	Muscat	28th	Bussorah	31st
19th	5th	Bussorah	29th	Muscat	1st
20th	6th	Muscat	30th	Bussorah	2nd
21st	7th	Bussorah	31st	Muscat	3rd
22nd	8th	Muscat	1st	Bussorah	4th
23rd	9th	Bussorah	2nd	Muscat	5th
24th	10th	Muscat	3rd	Bussorah	6th
25th	11th	Bussorah	4th	Muscat	7th
26th	12th	Muscat

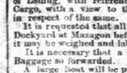
…ENTS.

…POOL
…diate despatch.
THE fine clipper ship "BELGRAVIA," RICHARD PENTECOST, Commander, has very good accommodation for a few Cabin Passengers. For particulars apply to the Captain on board, or to LYON BROTHERS & Co.

STEAM TO SUEZ.

THE Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company's Steamship "ORISSA," 1,646 Tons, and 300 H. P., Captain CRAIGIE, will be despatched for Aden and Suez on SUNDAY, the 7th January, at 8-30 A.M., from Mazagon, carrying Mails and Passengers for England.
Last Shipping day, Thursday, the 4th instant, after which no Cargo will be received on board.
G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.
P. and O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Bombay, 3rd January 1866.
N.B.—Parcels will not be received in this Office after 5 P.M. on 4th instant.
Shippers of Cargo on the Company's Black Bills of Lading are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of these Bills of Lading, with reference to the transhipment and forwarding of Cargo, with a view to the adequateness of their Insurance Policies in respect of the same.
It is requested that all heavy Baggage be sent to the Company's Dockyard at Mazagon before 5 P.M. on Saturday 13th, in order that it may be weighed and labelled before being sent on board.
It is necessary that a Custom House Pass should accompany all Baggage so forwarded.
A large boat will be provided for the conveyance of Passengers to the Steamer, and will leave the Mazagon Bunder at 8 A.M. precisely on Sunday morning.

STEAM TO POINT DE GALLE, PENANG, SINGAPORE, AND HONGKONG.



THE Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company's Steamship "BARODA," 1,878 tons, and 400 H. P., Captain HASELWOOD, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, 15th January at 9 A.M., from Mazagon, taking also Cargo and Passengers for Madras and Calcutta.
Last Shipping day Thursday, 11th. No brokerage will be allowed on any cheet of Opium for which receipt is not in the Company's Office by noon of 12th instant.
G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.
P. and O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Bombay, 3rd January 1865.
Shippers of Cargo on the Company's Black Bills of Lading are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of these Bills of Lading, with reference to the transhipment and forwarding of Cargo, with a view to the adequateness of their Insurance Policies in respect of the same.

WANTED, an experienced MIDWIFE, as Matron of the OBSTETRIC INSTITUTION, in connection with the J. J. Hospital. Apply to the Surgeon, J. J. Hospital.

WANTED, by a Mercantile Firm, a MAN accustomed to BUNDER WORK. A liberal Salary will be given to a competent man. Apply to "BOX," care of *Bombay Gazette*.

CHROMO-LITHOGRAPHS.—Just received a beautiful selection of these charming Pictures, adapted both for framing and as studies for water colour painting.
Rampart Row. THACKER, VINING & Co.

TO LET, from 1st January 1866, extensive OFFICES, at present occupied by the General Financial Corporation (Limited). For Terms, &c., apply at the Office of the Company, No. 8, Bell Lane.
Bombay, 20th Dec. 1865.

THE BOMBAY GAS COMPANY (LIMITED) require the services of a good NATIVE CLERK (Parsee preferred); also of a COLLECTOR, from whom security will be required. Apply by letter to the Accountant.
1, Church Lane, 3rd January 1866.

THE EAST INDIAN TRADING AND BANKING COMPANY (LIMITED).—IN LIQUIDATION.—NOTICE is hereby given, that a FINAL CALL of Rs. 10 per Share has been made payable at the Office of the Western India Finance and Exchange Association (Limited) within fifteen days from this date.
R. KING GILLAN, Liquidator.
Bombay, 3rd January 1866.

TO OWNERS OF COTTON PRESSES.—Attention is called to Section 5, Act. IX of 1863. Applications for the renewal of Licenses should be sent in forthwith to the Office of the Inspector-in-Chief Cotton Department, Town Hall, Bombay.
CHAMBERLIN WALKER, Major,
Acting Inspector in-Chief, Cotton Department.
Town Hall, 2nd January 1866.

WEDGEWOOD'S MANIFOLD WRITERS, by means of which a letter and any number of copies may be written at one and the same time.
To travellers, and those not having conveniences for a copying press, these will be found invaluable.

PRICE.

Folio ..... (Foolscap size)	Rs. 35
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8vo..... (Note size)	„ 20

Rampart Row. THACKER, VINING & Co.

BOMBAY LANDING AND SHIPPING COMPANY (LIMITED).—This Company is prepared to undertake the discharge of whole shipments, or the clearance of such portions of Cargoes as may not be removed by Consignees, holding the same at the risk of the concerned for freight or landing charges.
The Company have available a powerful Tug Steamer for towing Ships in and out of Dock and at moderate rates; also Steam Barges by which small consignments of Cargo can be landed with unusual expedition and despatch.
For particulars apply to the undersigned.
W. C. PENSON, General Manager.
Offices, Graham's Buildings.

COTTON SEED.—All who are desirous of obtaining supplies of Cotton Seed for next season's sowing are requested to apply to the undersigned.
2. Arrangements can be made for procuring the varieties noted in the margin
New Orleans,
Sea Island,
Egyptian,
Peruvian,
Dharwar acclimatized,
New Orleans,
The Indigenous varieties.
3. Applications on this subject should contain explicit particulars and must reach this Office before the 15th of February next.
W. WALTON,
In Charge Office of Cotton Commissioner.
Cotton Commissioner's Office, Dharwar, 30th Dec. 1865.

LAST THREE REPRESENTATIONS.
MCCOLLUM AND COUSINS' HIPPODROME on the Esplanade, Bombay. THIS EVENING, THURSDAY, January 4th, 1866, by particular desire, a grand and brilliant Representation for NATIVE LADIES ONLY.
The Performance will commence at half past 6 o'clock.
TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, January 5th, a grand representation with a variety of new Exercises. Commencing at half past 8.
SATURDAY, January 6th, the last Representation, for the BENEFIT of LITTLE TOMMY.
PRICES OF ADMISSION.
First Class Rs. 5; Second Class Rs. 3; Third Class Standing, 1 Rupee.

N.B.—All claims on the Direction to be sent in on SATURDAY, for payment on MONDAY between the hours of 11 and 2.

BADHAM'S White Zephyr Shirts, per dozen Rs. 40, 45, 50, 55, 60 and 65. Universally worn in India.
BADHAM'S Silk and Wool Shirts, Rs. 9-8 each.
BADHAM'S Pure Wool, Rs. 9-8 each.
BADHAM'S Cashmere, Rs. 10 each.
BADHAM'S Pure Spun Silk, Rs 12-8 each.
BADHAM'S Zingary and other Printed Cricketting Shirts, Rs. 10 each.
BADHAM'S Regatta Shirts, Rs. 10 each.
BADHAM'S Racket Suits, Rs. 20 each.
BADHAM'S Silk and Wool Sleeping Suits, Rs. 20 each.
BADHAM'S Regent, Dax, Indian and Military Collars, 7 Rupees per dozen.
Systeme Jouvins best French Kid Gloves, Rs. 2-12 per pair.
White Kid Gloves, Rs. 1-12 per pair.
Dog Skin, Rs. 2-12 per pair.
Buck and Doe, Rs. 3-12 per pair.

Overland Trunks, 2 feet 6, 2 feet 9, and 3 feet, Rs. 26, 28, and 30.
Railway Portmanteaus, courier Bags and Hat Cases.
Apollo House, Badham & Co., Bombay.

MAZAGON LAND AND RECLAMATION COMPANY (LIMITED).—At an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company held at the Office of Messrs MACINDOE, ROGERS & Co. at 3 P.M. of WEDNESDAY the 3rd instant, the following Special Resolutions, passed at the first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders on the 1st ultimo, were confirmed :—
1st.—That Clause XLIX of the Articles of Association be altered by the omission of the words "not until he or she shall have been possessed of his or her Shares three calendar months."
2nd.—That Clause XLIV. of the Articles of Association be altered by striking out the words "of which he must have been the registered proprietor for three months at least previously."
3rd.—That Clause L. of the Articles of Association be altered, by striking out the words "and for three consecutive months next previously."
4th.—That the management of the affairs of the Company be transferred to Secretaries and Treasurers under the orders of the Board of Directors.
5th.—That Messrs. Macindoe, Rogers & Co. be appointed Secretaries and Treasurers.
6th.—That the necessary alterations and amendments in the Company's Articles of Association, consequent upon the above arrangements, be made.
By order of the Directors,
S. GOLTCHMAN, Secretary.
Bombay, 3rd January 1866.

CALENDAR—JANUARY, 1866.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

Last Quarter, Tuesday	9th	21m. 28s. A.M.
New Moon, Wednesday	17th	1h. 28m. A.M.
First Quarter, Wednesday	24th	1h. 43m. A.M.
Full Moon, Wednesday	31st	1h. 20m. A.M.

Date.	Sundays, Feasts, &c.	Sun Rises.	Sun Sets.	High Water Bombay Harbour. Morn.	High Water Bombay Harbour. Even.	Evening Guns.
		h.m.	h.m.	h.m.	h.m.	
1	Circumcision	6 36	5 35	0 42	1 2	
2	1 Vespers ; 2 Lauds	6 36	5 35	1 30	1 37	
3	2 Epiphany	6 36	5 35	1 55	2 16	
4	3 Epiphany ; after Epiphany	6 36	5 36	2 16	2 34	
Mon.	Calends of 5	6 37	5 36	3 17	3 38	
6	5 Monday ; Octave of Epiphany	6 37	5 37	4 4 P.M.	4 21 P.M.	
7		6 37	5 38	4 2	5 36	

Neap Tide, 8th, 9th, 10th.
Time Ball, 1pm.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Four Per cent. Sicca Rs. Transfer Loan ..... Rs. 99
Sicca „ Loan 1832-33 ..... „ 98
„ „ Co.'s „ 1835-36 ..... „ 99
1842-43 ..... „ 89½
1854-55 ..... „ 103
Six per cent. Co.'s Rs. Loan 1856-57 ..... „ 103½
Five per cent. Public Works Loan 1854-55 ..... „ 103
Five and a half per cent. ..... „ 108½

Sovereigns each ..... Rs. 10-2 0
Bank of England Notes ..... „ 10
Dollars ..... „ 2 2
French Crowns ..... „ 2 9
Spanish Dollars ..... „ 2 2
Shroff Gold ..... „ 2 10
Ditto Silver ..... „ 2 13
Bar Silver ..... „ 1 14 1

PRICE CURRENT, 3rd January 1866.

Articles.	Price.	Per Candy.
Cotton	Fine	430 to 435
	Good	420 to 425
	Middling	410 to 415
	Fair	395 to 400
	Ordinary	385 to 390
	Inferior	375 to 380
Wheat		4 to 4 8 per Bushel.
Rice		10 to 12 per Candy.
Sugar		18 to 20 per Candy.
Ghee		60 to 65 per Candy.
Oil		60 to 65 per Candy.
Cocoanut Oil		60 to 65 per Candy.
Cocoanuts		12 to 14 per 100.
Coffee		60 to 65 per Candy.
Pepper		60 to 65 per Candy.
Cardamoms		60 to 65 per Candy.
Ginger		60 to 65 per Candy.
Turmeric		60 to 65 per Candy.
Myrabolams		60 to 65 per Candy.
Hides		60 to 65 per Candy.
Goat Skins		60 to 65 per Candy.
Sheep Skins		60 to 65 per Candy.
Tallow		60 to 65 per Candy.
Wax		60 to 65 per Candy.
Indigo		60 to 65 per Candy.
Lac Dye		60 to 65 per Candy.
Saltpetre		60 to 65 per Candy.
Opium		60 to 65 per Candy.
Aloes		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Arabic		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Assafœtida		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Olibanum		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Myrrh		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Copal		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Kino		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Lac		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Tragacanth		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Benjamin		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Guttah		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Dammer		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Gamboge		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Ammoniac		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Bdellium		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Sandarac		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Mastic		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Resin		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Shellac		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Tar		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Pitch		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Rosin		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Turpentine		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Camphor		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Cinnamon		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Cassia		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Nutmeg		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Mace		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Cloves		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Pepper		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Ginger		60 to 65 per Candy.
Gum Turmeric		60 to 65 per Candy.
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Gum

Hindoostan, he selected this as his final resting-place. When many of his prophecies reached the throne of Delhi, royal rent-free grants were conferred upon him. He procured to him to build his own tomb during his life-time, and he selected as his model tomb that "Huzrut Makdoom Syud Ushreef Jehangeer Shah Sirmiani," a still more famous dignatary, had recently built for himself, not many miles off. It is asserted, and generally believed, that when Hazrut Makdoom heard of this proceeding he paid a visit to Shah Noor, and recognizing the similarity of design, was filled with displeasure, and gave vent to his feelings by observing—"*Toomhara noor zulmaga, muggur eghaor na hogah*," which may be rendered "your light may burn, but it will never blaze;" and from that time the flame of Noorwanee, a lamp is not even burned with regularity over his ashes, and no crowds assemble to honour the memory of the ex-tinguished saint.

Under the king's government pergunah Soorhurpoor contained a colony of 600 houses of Mahomedan weavers. The facilities for getting Europe piece-goods, a result of annexation, and the demand for cotton consequent on the American war have diminished the number of these weavers just one-half. There are now 300 houses of them, and of these 253 are situated in Jelalpoor and Nagpoor. Situated between these two towns is the village of *Dundsah*. At this place an edifice of some pretensions, known by the name of the "Panchayat Kunchaitee Jolaha," "or Subscription Church of the Weavers," was built nearly a century ago, under the supervision of one Tar Mahomed, weaver and broker. Rs. 4,000 were raised for the purpose by the fraternity, each man setting aside the fourth of a pice from the price of every piece of cloth he wove for the common object. An annual fair is here held, which is largely attended by persons in search of relief from their sorrows.

POONA.

The residents of East Street, especially that portion of it occupied by European tradesmen, were made aware after midnight on Sunday last of the morning of 1866 by the band and drums of the 33rd Regiment, who made the welkin ring with their sweet and harmonious strains, as they went from house to house, the inmates of which were all delighted at this good old custom of reminding them of the exit of the old and entrance of the New Year.—*Observer, Jan.* 2.

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SIND.

Masonic Liberality.—The friends of the late Mr. Archibald Ramsay will be glad to learn that the Masons of Kurrachee have determined upon granting his widow an annuity of thirty rupees monthly for the term of six months, and at the end of that time to make up a purse for the family.—*Our Paper, Dec.* 29.

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The Calcutta University.—The examinations for Degrees in Arts and Law will begin on Monday next, in the new Post Office in Dalhousie Square.—*Indian Daily News, Dec.* 28.

Indo-European Telegraph.—The arrangements on the line seem to be improving, if we can accept a single instance as an indication. The latest date received in Calcutta from the United Kingdom is only three days old.—*Id.*

The Police, I. F.—Colonel Bruce, who proceeded to Bhootan to officiate as Political Agent, is now on his way down to Calcutta. On his arrival here Major Pughe, at present officiating as Head of the Police, will revert to his former appointment.—*Id.*

The Government of Bengal has recommended that the Hindia, that is boat of four and a half tons in the service of the Municipal Commissioners of Port Canning on the security of their property and income, at the rate of five and half per cent. interest: that the conservancy of the port be made over to them, carrying with it the right to receive port dues and mooring fees, and all the duties of the Harbour Master's Department, but giving no authority over, or responsibility for, the pilotage of the river or the buoying, lighting, and conservancy of the channels from Calcutta to the sea. All these should remain, as at present, under the authority of the Master Attendant. The matter is now pending the final decision of the Governor General in Council.—*Englishman, Dec.* 28.

On the evening of the 25th instant two barques, the *Taisso* and the *Phillippe* the 1st, and a brig, name not reported, inward bound from China, anchored off the Mattah light ship, but owing to the absence of pilots at the light ship were unable to proceed on their voyage. On the morning of the 26th a Hamburg brig and a three-masted schooner, both bound for Canning Town, reached the station, but from the cause above indicated were unable to continue their voyage to that port. Yesterday the *Taisso*, the *Peacock* and the brig came down a pilot, who took that vessel to her destination. The other vessels mentioned are either at anchor outside, or navigating the Hooghly without pilots.—*Hurkaru, Dec.* 28.

BHOOTAN.

Head Quarters, Camp, Dewangiri, December 20th.

Our camp looked for reinforcements have at last arrived consisting of the 26th and 46th Regiments native infantry, and two companies of sappers and miners. The 26th is a splendid corps, composed entirely of Punjabees, and some of those gentlemen who come from near the Khyber Pass, whose fighting qualities are pretty well known. I observed our Brigadier's eye twinkle when inspecting the Regiment, and one could easily tell their thoughts were—"If we are allowed to advance, these are the boys for me." The 44th Goorkha Regiment have gone down the hill, being relieved by the 26th Regiment. It can hardly be called a Regiment now, as it consisted only of 82 file in the main body. The band has come down to 5 in number. This is most unhealthy spot, for I am sorry to say that in the two fine regiments just arrived, there are already several men down with dysentery; this may in a great measure be attributed to the great difference of temperature between morn and noon, which is 20 degrees, and the great cold at night. Captain Boileau and the coolie corps have also arrived, and the place is beginning to look much cleaner. The sappers are at present engaged in digging a well, but I fear their efforts will be fruitless, as they have got down 17 feet and not found a trace of water, but our water arrangements are now nearly complete, as the engineers have constructed a bamboo watercourse which brings down water from a hill two and a half miles off. This will be now extended as far as the camp, and a large tank is being dug at the end of it. Affairs look as if our stay here is to be a long one, as working parties are out every day building barracks, &c., and Captain Watts, the Chief Engineer, has been ordered to choose a line of country in order to make a road to the plains which can be passable in all weathers. Colonel Agnew, our Political Officer, has left us and gone to the other column at Buxar; he has been replaced by Lieutenant Grey, Assistant Commissioner, an officer I believe of great abilities as a politician. Letters have been received from the Goorcoo Lama of Youngla, whom I mentioned in my last letter as having been deputed by Colonel Agnew to proceed with letters to Tongsoo Penlow. He is now on his road to that worthy, and reports that all our men taken prisoners by Bhootcas are being collected at Yongur, five marches from Tougsoo. It is supposed that they will be brought in with the guns, which event, the Goorcoo reports, is to take place eleven days from the day of the new moon. The new moon was yesterday, so we may expect them in about the 30th of this month.—*Indian Daily News, Dec.* 28.

To-day the last act of the Bhootan drama will probably be played out by the arrival of the Goorcoo Lama at Buxa, where, by appointment with the English Commissioners, he is to make over all the Bengali and Assamese prisoners taken by the Bhootcas, either during the recent hostilities or in those numerous raids which provoked the wrath of the British authorities. It may perhaps be interesting to note, that a shower of rain having fallen at Tassisudon soon after the Treaty was signed, the Bhooteas took advantage of the downpour to assert that the gods had vouchsafed a favourable omen on the conclusion of peace.—*Harkaru, Dec.* 28.

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From Bokhara we learn that an ambassador from the court of Russia has arrived, while the ambassador from Bokhara to Russia has not yet been allowed to proceed beyond Tashkend. Reinforcements are said to be reaching the Russian army at Tashkend. This looks as if Russia had come to the determination not only to keep Khokand, but to swallow a province or two of Bokhara also, on the pretext that they are necessary to the consolidation of her new frontier and the colonisation of the basin of the Jaxartes. But in committing herself to a policy of aggression on Bokhara, Russia may wake up a Musalman storm in Central Asia, such as her weak, because too widely spread, power may not be able to master, and as will make more than its echoes heard in India.—*Friend of India, Dec.* 28.

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The existence of a Sanitary Commission in each of the three Presidencies is due to the recommendation of the Royal Commission on the Health of the Indian Army in 1863. In February 1864 the Bengal Sanitary Commission was established, with Mr. John Strachey, of the Civil Service, as paid President, and a medical officer as paid Secretary, all whose time was to be devoted to the work of the Commission. With them were associated Dr. C. A. Gordon, of the Queen's Medical Service, an officer of engineers and another military officer. The Secretary also acted as Professor of Hygiene in the Calcutta Medical College. Whatever may be the necessity for so complete a sanitary staff hereafter, when the great reforms shall have been carried out, it is fortunate that such a commission has been in active existence during the past two years. This Report deals with the most important portion of their labours up to May last. It is enriched with the most complete set of vital statistics ever published in India, being those so laboriously collected and arranged for the Bengal Army and Jails from 1858 to 1864 by Dr. J. L. Bryden.

The members have carried out every one of the recommendations of the Royal Commission's Report of 1863, but have at the same time shown how unnecessary many of these recommendations were, since the reforms they suggest had been in progress in India before the Report appeared. Mr. Strachey's assertion is undoubtedly true, for instance, that "in regard both to the useful employment and to the comfort of recreation of the soldiers more has been done in India than at Home, in some other part of the Empire." Sir Hugh Rose's reforms in these respects began two years before the Royal Commission's Report was issued. The improvement in the health and comfort of the army both in England and India has gone on steadily ever since. All the more remarkable is the fact that in the former has been reduced from 20 per 1000 to 10 per thousand, in the latter it has fallen from 69 to 18 or 20 per thousand. Nor does this exclude, in India, such an epidemic as the cholera which visited the Punjab in 1861 with a virulence unparalleled "in modern times and among civilized men." On the whole, even admitting that there is little room at present for anticipating any greater measure of success in the treatment of this disease, which has, indeed, gone on for many years steadily increasing among the European troops in all parts of India, we may believe that the improvements of the past few years have permanently reduced the annual mortality of army in India to nearly 20 per thousand. Apart from all considerations of humanity, the political and financial gain involved in this fact is incalculable.

The two great enemies with which the soldier has to fight in India are cholera and venereal disease. If the Constantinople Conference, or any other means, result in mitigating the ravages of the former, the soldier may be almost as healthy in India as in England. During the last half century cholera has swept off one-sixth of all the soldiers who have died in India, or more every year than now die from every cause in England. The mystery of cholera may to some extent be discovered by attention to meteorological phenomena, the systematic record of which the Commission has urged on Government. Why should cholera and small-pox in Calcutta be at their lowest in August and reach their highest point in April, and dysentery and diarrhœa rise and fall in the opposite way? Why should the contrary of this be true of the North-Western provinces? There are real relations between certain diseases and the rainfall, the tension of vapour, the temperature and barometric pressure, but we are in utter ignorance of their nature. We have still to make the humiliating confession that the only way to avoid cholera, like other epidemics, is to run away from it. The preventive Act, XXII. of 1864 has resulted in reducing the number of soldiers who suffered from venereal diseases to 255 per 1,000 of strength, the lowest point reached since the mutiny. In 1861 it was as high as 369. Yet it is still true that "at least one-third of the whole army has ordinarily passed through the hospitals in the course of the year on account of these diseases alone. At many stations the proportion has been much higher, amounted to fifty, sixty, and even seventy per cent. of the force." And this is only a fraction of the truth, for "fully two-thirds of those who imbibe the disease are invalided within five years, and are sent out to the service with a loathsome poison circulating in their veins which passes down to their posterity."

Are we to rest satisfied with the impotent conclusion that there is nothing to prevent this, and the moral evil which leads to it and flows from it? The Commission declare that the cause is not due to the restriction of marriages to twelve per cent., only six per cent. are married. On 1st May 1863, out of 66,748 rank and file in the three Presidencies, only 3,776 were married. Worse than this, the Report tells us that the rate of mortality among soldiers' children in India is so excessively high —9 per 1000—that "we may well hesitate in coming to the conclusion that marriage in the army is a thing to be generally desired." And even if sent to the Hills they would not permanently thrive, while each of the four hundred boys and girls in the Lawrence Asylum at Sanawur costs forty pounds a year. Is there no way of escape from this vicious circle but the old one —that so long as man is what he is he will fight, and standing armies must be accepted as the evil, involving such sin and disease, now and for future generations. At what a moral price do we hold India?—by means of 63,000 young unmarried men living in sin and subject to loathsome disease which is the direct result of the violation of a law as certain as that of gravitation. Yet for every one of them God has made a woman. And thus the streets and lanes of the great cities at home are crowded with the miserable victims of a system which the wisest, the purest, the most benevolent declare to be incapable of material improvement. The horrors of war, its lesser curse, its most widespread evils, are to be sought not on the battle field, but in the hospital, in the haunts of vice, in the poison which runs through society and corrupts generations yet unborn, in the moral pollution above all which degrades humanity and while it bears witness to the truth of that representation of the state of the race which Christianity gives us, almost makes us despair of the power of Christianity to effect a cure.

We have no heart to discuss further the subjects treated of in this Report. Briefly, it is recommended that selected men and not whole regiments be sent to the Hills, to the amount of twenty per cent. of the army. That new barracks are to cost ten millions sterling in the course of four or five years, and till they are completed such temporary accommodation is being provided as will give ninety superficial feet of floor to each soldier "whatever be the cost." All the latest suggestions as to lights, recreation, employing soldiers on such works as the Asseerghur barracks and Murree and Abbottabad road, gardens, bedding, diet, drink, nursing, boots and clothing, have been or are being carried out. Sir John Lawrence's Government deserves all the credit that can be given to it for sparing no expense to effect such reforms. Dr. Gordon, for instance, tells us that while the soldier pays only Rs. 6-5-4 a month for his ration it costs the State Rs. 9-5-5½ or £175,000 a year more. And this year we are spending on beer alone half a million sterling, so as to induce the soldier to use a pure and healthy liquor. Mr. Strachey notices with satisfaction the improving state of Calcutta, and acknowledges the services of its Health Officer. Unlike the special Commission on the Calcutta Sanitary Condition in Bengal, the Sanitary Commission "thinks it far more probable that the disease has its origin in a certain specific poison propagated from man to man, than that it is produced by any sanitary conditions, however unfavourable;" but it is unable to suggest any practical measures in addition to those which have been adopted. The Commission regrets that Calcutta cannot get better water than that of the Hooghly at Pulta, and expresses a hesitating satisfaction at the progress of the drainage works. Every reader of this intelligent Report will agree in the conclusion, that, in carrying out or in laying the foundation of great sanitary improvements, "the Government has ever done more in an equally short space of time, than the Government of India has done during the last few years."

THE LESSON OF SEVEN YEARS' PEACE.

(From the Friend of India, Dec. 28.)

The year closes with India in profound tranquillity and enjoying ever-growing prosperity. Seven years of peace have passed since, at the close of 1858, the rebels were driven across the border, and the great military campaigns necessitated by the mutiny came to a close. There is only one period in the history of India which affords a parallel to that through which the empire is passing. From the close of the first Burmese war in 1826 to the proclamation of war against Dost Mahomed in 1838, we have a remarkable period of twelve years of peace, broken only by the little Coorg war in 1834. This time, extending between the close of his own parish, now murdered. And he got into violent his administrations, has seen from Lord Amherst to Lord Auckland, was marked by the administrative, the social, and the educational reforms of Lord William Bentinck and Sir Charles Metcalf. It succeeded that series of exhausting wars which ended in the establishment of our supremacy over every rival, whether Mussulman, Mahratta, or French, and it ushered in the greatest disasters that have ever happened to the English army. We are as a nation justly proud of that series of benevolent reforms, beginning with the prohibition of suttee and ending with the freedom of the press. Yet the triumphs of peace could not avert the disasters, could not purchase the victories of war. The very zeal with which Lord William Bentinck pursued his administrative and financial reforms, led his Government to overlook the truth that, in all countries, and emphatically in one ruled by an alien race, however benevolently, the only pledge of enduring peace and prosperity is a strong army. The mistake that was made then was repeated by the Home authorities in the still more brilliant period of peace—the four years from 1842 to 1856—and resulted in still greater disasters. Lord Dalhousie, wiser than

What gave Gordon considerable influ... state of the colony. For some time... the house market has been very low, ... great loss to the planting interest; and they were ... to reduce wages to the lowest possible rate. ... price of clothing, and the great drought with which the island was visited, brought the labouring classes almost to a state of famine. Many public meetings were held throughout the island, and the distress of the labourers brought very prominently into view, and also many remedies suggested. Unfortunately, little sympathy was expressed by the leading men of the island for the people. Though the rebellion is now quashed, and will probably not be renewed, after the fearful example made of the rebels, yet I fear that there is no small disaffection still in the minds of many of the people. The planters being brought into great difficulties, have been latterly peculiarly severe upon the labourers. Many of the overseers are magistrates, and often are severe in punishing the people by fines and imprisonment, while the people have no redress. At present a great multitude are undergoing punishment for what we man in the Island ever considered an offence. The common fruits of the country, growing near the road, in open pastures, were freely taken by all classes, I suppose, since the British landed upon the Island. This was a great help to the labouring classes, and I believe did little injury to any one. It was like the law among the Jews by which any traveller was permitted to pluck ears of standing corn, as they passed through the fields. Depriving the people of such privileges, after their long enjoyment, produces a most powerful impression on popular feelings. And I cannot help believing that the hundreds, or perhaps thousands, who are now undergoing punishment for disregarding the orders of the planters in this matter, are becoming prepared for any seditious movement."

ENQUIRY INTO LOSS OF THE "DUNCAN DUNBAR."

(From the Shipping Gazette, Dec. 4.)

The inquiry into the circumstances attending the loss of the *Duncan Dunbar*, which terminated on Saturday, has disclosed one or two facts of great interest and importance to navigators. That vessel was lost, as our readers are aware, on the north point of a reef or shoal called "Las Roccas," lying between 2 and 3 degrees south of the Line, and about 130 from Cape St. Roque, on the coast of Brazil. It appeared in evidence that the longitude of this shoal, as put down in Norie's chart—which the *Duncan Dunbar* was steered—was 33. 45 W., whereas the most recent survey, made by Captain Selwyn, of H.M.S. *Sprightly*, places it in 33 deg. 50 min. 9 sec. W., showing a difference of longitude of five nautical miles. The Admiralty charts, although they place the shoal nearer to the true position by some two or three miles, are not absolutely correct—that is, they have not been faithfully corrected, according to the observations of Captain Selwyn. It further appears that, besides the westerly current which sets in from the Amazon, and which, on the rate of from two to two and a half knots per hour, is on the neighbourhood of Las Roccas a reflex current, setting in to the southward and eastward, the strength of which has not only been deposed to by Captain Selwyn within his personal knowledge, but was proved by the statements of other witnesses in the case. One of these, they saw the cargo thrown overboard from the wreck, flow away round the outlying points of the reef right down to the southward. The theory is, that both these currents originate in the great Equatorial current which, setting towards the N. W. shore of South America, is split by the headland of St. Roque, and then form two distinct currents, the one pursuing its course to the N. W., the other doubling down to the southward, and along the western shore of South America. Whether the easterly set, also apparent in this current is not due in some degree to the great outfall of the Amazon and the tributaries and mingling a portion of the westerly current, and forcing it to the east, is a question which remains to be determined by future observation. The fact that such a current does exist seems to be established, and it is a subject of the utmost interest to commanders of ships navigating that part of the South Atlantic; we cannot but think, therefore, that the dispatch of a surveying ship to collect data respecting these phenomena is a matter well deserving the attention of the Lords of the Admiralty. The shoals and reef of Las Roccas are not marked in any manner, and lying, as they do, but a few feet, at the highest point, above high water of spring tides, they present one of the most formidable dangers possible to vessels navigating in that locality, and this becomes a subject of still greater importance now that the ordinary course is being favoured by commanders of vessels bound for both India and Australia. Captain Selwyn, in 1857, placed a beacon on the N.W. point of Las Roccas, constructed from some balks of timber found upon the spot—the remains of some ill-fated ship or her cargo; but this beacon has not survived, and nothing marks the locality of the danger, except at those times when the sun is at the time the beacon was set up, and which still remain, it appears, though their presence is of little value to vessels approaching or indicating the outlying danger. What is wanted is a lighthouse, and we understand that by Captain Selwyn that he represented this necessity to the Brazilian Government during his cruise in the *Sprightly*, and endeavoured to impress its importance on the Government officials at Rio. The Government of Brazil have special facilities for the execution of such a work. From the neighbouring penal station of Fernando Noronha the labour might be procured, and the light house once erected, the men in attendance might find occupation and subsistance in the rich fishing grounds in the locality of the reef. If, however, the Brazilian Government should continue to be inaccessible to all representations on the subject, it may be a question whether, seeing the great importance to navigation of marking the Roccas effectively, it may not be the duty of the Admiralty of the British Government alone, or in concert with the Government of the United States—the two Maritime States whose shipping are most frequently in the neighbourhood—to find the means of erecting the light and to make arrangements for its maintenance. It might be superintended, in that case, by the Colonial authorities of British Guiana, which is the nearest point of land to the Roccas is, we believe, no portion of the territory of Brazil, and its appropriation by any State that might choose to take it for the purpose of rendering it no longer a danger to navigation, would certainly not be disputed. However this may be, it is a disgrace to this age of international intercourse that a formidable and most treacherous danger to navigation should be permitted to imperil the safety of ships passing along one of the most frequented highways between the two hemispheres. The loss of the *Duncan Dunbar* demonstrates that, so long as the Roccas remain unmarked by light or beacon, especially the former, and the tendency of the prevailing currents remain unrecorded or unestablished, there will be no safety for any ship passing even to leeward of this fatal reef, as it is perfectly clear, by the loss of Napoleon le Grand, and sworn to be revenged; and if 'La Historia,' published at Valladolid, by Fernando Santarem be trustworthy, he killed as many Frenchmen as the Cid did Moors. He seems immediately to have started on his own account a small force of guerillas, at the outset composed of himself and two relatives: this grew in time to a mighty band. 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LONDON.....The Bank of England.
Do. .....The National Bank, (established 1835.)
Do. .....The Alliance Bank (Limited.)
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MANCHESTER.....The Alliance Bank (Limited.)
SCOTLAND.....The National Bank of Scotland.
IRELAND.....The National Bank.

THE Bank grants drafts on London, Liverpool, or Manchester, at the following rates of Exchange :—
Six months' sight ..... 2s. 0¾d. per Rupee
Four ,, ... 2s. 0½d. ,,
Three ,, ... 2s. 0¼d. ,,
Two ,, ... 2s. 0¼d. ,,
One ,, ... 2s. 1¼d. ,,
On demand ..... 2s. 1½d. ,,
On Scotland and Ireland..... 1s. 11¾d. ,,
Circular Notes payable in Egypt and the principal towns on the Continent of Europe..... 1s. 11¾d. ,,
Drafts on *The Banks of England, on Scotland* or *Ireland* are issued payable *on demand* only.
To prevent disappointment to persons at a distance who may purchase the Bank's Bills on Europe, the Manager will, whenever so desired, forward the first of exchange direct on being favored with the address of the person to whom the Bill is to be sent. *In all instances where a Bill is required in favour of a lady, her Christian name must be given in full.*
The Bank will negociate Bills payable in London, Liverpool or Manchester, and will also grant drafts payable in Calcutta, Hongkong, Shanghai or Colombo.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.

Int rest allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on balance exceeding Rs. 500 and not more than 50,000, and 1 per cent. per annum on balan ce as exceeding Rs 3000 and not more than Rs. 50,000.
Interest is not allowed on balances of more than Rs. 50,000 except by special arrangement.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Subject to 12 months' notice of withdrawal	6 per cent.	per annum
Do. 9 do.	do.	do.
Do. 6 do.	do.	do.
Do. 4 do.	do.	do.
Do. 3 do.	do.	do.

Deposits for sums of Rs. 100 and upwards are received subject to 15 days notice of withdrawal on either side. Interest will be allowed at 3 per cent. below the Bank of Bombay minimum rate of discount rising or falling therewith, but not exceeding 5 per cent. per annum.
Unless the money shall have been lodged fifteen days prior to the notice of withdrawal, no interest will be allowed thereupon.
If the deposit be taken in the Bank's draft on Europe the notice of withdrawal will generally be dispensed with.
The Bank reserves to itself the right of paying off or of modifying the terms of Fixed Deposits, on giving one month's notice.
Government Paper and other Securities received for safe custody, and the interest remitted by the Banks draft free of charge.
The Bank will procure enfacement of Government Paper on account of Constituents and forward the same to the Head Office without charge.
It is particularly requested that all orders or Hoondees may be made payable to, and all communications addressed to
The Manager, Bank of Hindustan, China, and Japan, Limited, Bombay.
Bombay, 14th Dec. 1865. A. THOMSON, Manager.

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Reserve Fund, £200,000.
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[illegible] AGENCY.

[illegible] grants Bills of Exchange on the following rates, viz.:—
[illegible] ... 2s. 0¾d. per Rupee.
[illegible] ... 2s. 0½d. ,,
[illegible] ... 2s. 0¼d. ,,
[illegible] ... 2s. 0¼d. ,,
[illegible] ... 2s. 1¼d. ,,
[illegible] ... 2s. 1½d. ,,
[illegible] ... 1s. 11¾d. ,,
[illegible] ... 1s. 11¾d. ,,
[illegible] Accounts at 2 per Cent. per annum.
[illegible] Current Balances under Rs. 10,000 [illegible] as following :—
[illegible] ... 1 per cent.
[illegible] ... 2 ,,
[illegible] ... 3 ,,
[illegible] ... 4 ,,
[illegible] ... 5 ,,
[illegible] ... 6 ,,
[illegible] Deposits will be received [illegible] Agents Bills and Drafts [illegible] Agents.
[illegible] Government Securities and Shares for safe [illegible] of constituents, free of charge, and realized [illegible] Agents at the current rate per cent. On [illegible] Securities, &c., deposited for safe custody a charge of [illegible] per cent.
[illegible] sale of Government Securities, Shares in [illegible] 1 per cent.
[illegible] and general terms of business may be [illegible] Offices Elphinstone Circle.
[illegible] M. to 3 P. M. Saturdays 10 A. M. to [illegible] M.
[illegible] Agent.
[illegible] Board of Directors.
CHARLES IGGULDEN, Manager.
[illegible], Bombay, 9th April 1865.

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